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Hon. Loretta A. Preska, U.S.D.J.  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007-1312

*Re: Markel v. The New School; 1:24-cv-02143-LAP*

Dear Judge Preska:

My law firm is counsel to the defendant in this action. I write on behalf of both sides, with the consent of my adversary, to request an initial pretrial conference pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16 to obtain a scheduling order for this case.

The parties engaged in mediation pursuant to the applicable S.D.N.Y. protocol for counselled employment cases but were unable to reach a resolution. The assigned mediator submitted a Final Report of Mediator on September 5, 2024, which is Document #13 on the docket.

We respectfully request an initial conference in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Olympias Iliana Konidaris, Esq. (counsel for Kimberly Markel)